

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

JOHN BULTHOUSE Individually and as  
Personal Representative for the Estate of  
Paul Bulthouse, Deceased,

PLAINTIFF,

-vs-

Case No.: 1:21-cv-00281  
Hon. Paul L. Maloney

COUNTY OF MUSKEGON, a municipal corporation, et. al.

DEFENDANTS.

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**STIPULATION AND ORDER EXTENDING TIME FOR DEFENDANT  
SARA BRUCE, EMT TO ANSWER THE COMPLAINT  
AND FILE AFFIDAVIT OF MERITORIOUS DEFENSE**

Defendant, SARA BRUCE, EMT was served a copy of the Complaint on 5/23/2021 and her attorneys, FOLEY, BARON, METZGER & JUIP, PLLC, have filed an appearance contemporaneously with this proposed stipulation and order. Plaintiff's counsel agrees to stipulate to extend the time for SARA BRUCE, EMT to answer the complaint to 7/8/2021 and also extend the time for SARA BRUCE, EMT and WELLPATH, LLC to file Affidavits of Meritorious Defense concerning SARA BRUCE, EMT required by [MCL 600.2912e](#) to be due 91 days after SARA BRUCE, EMT files her answer to the Complaint.

THEREFORE, Defendant SARA BRUCE, EMT's Answer to the Complaint shall be due filed on or before 7/8/2021, and an affidavit of Meritorious Defense concerning the claims against SARA BRUCE, EMT and/or WELLPATH, LLC pursuant to MCL 600.2912e shall be due filed on or before 91 days after SARA BRUCE, EMT files her Answer.

Date: June 7, 2021

/s/ Paul L. Maloney  
DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

I stipulate to entry of the above order as to form and substance:

/s/Marcel S. Benavides with consent  
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